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OREGON ON WHEELS.

Our readers are familiar with the fact that the State Board of Immigration are fitting up a special railroad car to be filled with Oregon products which it is their intention to send to the Eastern and interior states for the purpose of advertising the resources of this great state. The work of fitting up and painting the car is now complete and its interior is now being filled with exhibits. The best of those shown at the exposition which has just closed will be selected and as many others as can find accommodation. The writer visited the car yesterday at Albina. It is of ordinary length and is fitted upon each side with shelving that rises like steps from the floor to the ceiling. A three foot alley railed on each side, runs through the full length of the car. The car is furnished with a complete electric light plant of its own which will furnish 28 lights inside and 12 outside. The exhibits will consist of grain threshed and unthreshed, grasses, fruits, vegetables and berries dried, canned, and green, wool, coal and minerals of all kinds and samples of Oregon woods. 50,000 samples of Oregon wheat done up in small bottles will be given away. Half a million of 4 by 6 inch dodgers will be distributed and Major Ed. A. Weed, an old newspaper man, and a 17 years resident in the state, who will have charge of the car, will deliver lectures at every convenient place, from the platform of the car. Two other men will accompany the Major, and they expect to be gone about six months and perhaps longer. The originators of the scheme, the Major assured us, have no private ax to grind. It is in no sense got up by real estate boomers to boom a certain district. It is for the whole state and for every part of it. The mineral exhibit will be the finest purely Oregon exhibit ever gathered together, in fact the only one worthy of the name, and for this result the credit is largely due to Major G. W. "Gogals". It has been gathered from eight or ten counties of the state. The outside of the car presents a very attractive appearance. On each side is painted in letters about a foot long the word "Oregon," and in smaller letters the words; "No cyclones, no blizzards. The finest climate on the continent. The land of big red apples, glorious golden prunes and luscious berries. Exported 4,170,280 bushels of wheat last year. Season of 1889 exported 18,000,221 pounds of merrine and other wool. The lumber resources the greatest in the world. Season of 1890 exported 8,508,672 cans of salmon, etc." On one side is a picture of the mouth of the Columbia and on the other of the falls of the Willamette, while underneath the latter are the words; "355,000 horse power; mill sites free." Over each door is the word "welcome." The car will be taken across to Portland sometime this week and remain there for a few days when it will start East by way of the Northern Pacific. This route is adopted naturally because the Northern Pacific has furnished the car and transportation free.

THE MISSING LINK MADE TO ORDER.

Since the days when Mr. Darwin says humans shed their tails and evolved from the monkey state to the civilized condition there has been little or no demand for the discarded caudal appendage, says the Philadelphia Record. But recently there has been a bullish movement in the tail market and such a heavy demand created that Dr. Ege, of Reading has undertaken to supply the appendage that Mr. Darwin says we have so unjustly been deprived of. He will produce a man with a tail, and if the foresaid man can produce the required money he can revel in the distinction and glory of two tails at a rate of \$50 per tail.

The idea was suggested to Dr. Ege by the man who is about to undergo the operation. The latter, whose name is withheld for obvious reasons, is a person of unbounded ambition, whose goal is to sit in a dime museum and wag his tail to the music of the guffaws of an assembled multitude. For the price of \$50 Dr. Ege will undertake to splice to the fellow's right arm a long tail of a Gordon setter, and if the opera-

tion is successful, and the man can raise the required \$50 extra, Dr. Ege will sandwich a nice tabby-cat tail on the man's other arm. Dr. Ege is very enthusiastic about the affair, and has not the least doubt that the operation can readily be performed with success. By the way of experiment he has already put a long white cat tail on a little rabbit that was heretofore tailless.

GENERAL PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Allen G. Thurman died at Columbus, Ohio, on the 17th inst., aged eighty years.

The Nationalists of Poland have sent to Ireland a handsome wreath to be placed over the grave of Parnell. The Poles were compelled to smuggle it across the frontier.

Democrats are jubilant in the East. It is a great year for babies in the families of their leaders. First Cleveland, then Pattison and now comes the democratic candidate for governor in New York, Roswell P. Flower. To be sure, Mr. Flower was a little too old to be expected to become a papa, but the next best thing happened the other day. He became a grandpa for the first time, and was made happy by this dispatch:

Dear Grandpa: I am here. Arrived eleven minutes past 12 o'clock. I weigh ten and a half pounds. Mamma and I are both doing well, and I hope you will be elected governor sure.

ROSWELL FLOWER TAYLOR.

The epidemic of babies is looked upon by the democrats as a good omen, but it will take more than one grandchild to offset the six beautiful pearls set in the crown of motherhood worn by Mrs. Jennie Crocker Fassett.

The Tea Houses of Japan.

Mousmees, rickshaws and tea houses are the three institutions one associates with Japan. Kipling has made the rickshaws hardly more of a phantom than the three-horse car, while Sir Edwin Arnold and Pierre Loti have pictured the gentle mousmee with such exquisite finish that people ignorant of the meaning of the word a few months back are in love with her quaint beauty and ravishing smiles.

Tea houses are simply inns or restaurants where the principal refreshment (often the only one) is tea. In the cities they are the favorite evening resorts, for there you can hire the gaudy Geisha girls to dance and sing or play the samoin and koto between the intervals of love making. She is a mistress of this art. Nara, one of the most beautiful places in Japan, has no other accommodation, and notice must be sent the day before to tell the owner how many guests he is to accommodate.

Rickshaws laden with supplies start a few hours ahead, the coolies who draw them acting as cooks and house servants during your stay. Stowed in these useful vehicles is all you require—food and the utensils for cooking and eating it. The teahouse supplies nothing but chopsticks, fresh eggs and rice. The little teahouse at Nara was like a white parlor with wooden corners, and stood in the shade of a cristanoria grove. In the heat of the day the parlor walls disappear mysteriously into the wooden corners; then the entire house looks like a platform, with high wooden corner posts, raised a few feet from the ground, covered with dazzling white matting.—Once a Week.

Comfort for Corpses.

Among the inventions that commend themselves to public notice during the last fifty years are those relating to coffins, graves and burials. One of these is intended to furnish the tenant of a grave who has been buried prematurely with a means of escape or arousing the neighborhood. This invention is a simple affair, being merely an open tube provided with a rope ladder and a bell and cord. Should the occupant of the coffin awake from the trance he could climb the ladder and make his way back to the world, or pull the bell and alarm the township. For those whose only fear is that they may not be allowed to rest undisturbed a considerate inventor has provided a "torpedo grave," which, if disturbed, explodes at once and scatters the vandals to the winds.—Chicago Times.

A Modern Solomon.

A famous Chicago lawyer once had a singular case to settle. A physician came to him in great distress. Two sisters, living in the same house, had babies of equal age, who so resembled each other that their own mothers were unable to distinguish them when they were together. Now it happened that by the carelessness of the nurses the children had become mixed, and how were the mothers to make sure that they received back their own infants? "But, perhaps," said the lawyer, "the children weren't changed at all." "Oh, but there's no doubt they were changed," said the physician. "Are you sure of it?" "Perfectly." "Well, if that's the case why don't you change them back again?" "I don't see any difficulty in the case." Boston Saturday Gazette.

Why Women Should Help Govern.

The eternal and ineradicable distinction of sex is one principal reason why women in a representative government should be directly represented. If lawyers alone cannot safely be trusted to make laws for mechanics, if merchants alone cannot legislate for farmers, if every well defined class in society is entitled to its own authoritative expression through the ballot, surely women, who are the wives and sisters and mothers of men, should give expression to the domestic interests from the feminine point of view. If a blacksmith cannot fairly represent a physician, how much less can a man represent a woman!—Henry B. Blackwell.

Quite Fatal.

Mrs. Spiggis—Do you think that smoking shortens life?
 Mrs. Gasday—I think it does. I'm sure some of the cigars my husband smokes would kill me if I staid in the room.—New York Epoch.

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